

Final Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Methodology and Draft RHNA Allocations

ABAG Regional Planning Committee May 13, 2021

RHNA Methodology Development Process

October 2019 to September 2020

Housing Methodology Committee (HMC) worked collaboratively and voted to recommend a Proposed RHNA Methodology.

October 15, 2020

ABAG Executive Board approved Proposed RHNA Methodology.

October 24 -November 27, 2020 Public comment period on Proposed RHNA Methodology, including public hearing on November 12.

January 2021

ABAG Regional Planning Committee and Executive Board voted to include "equity adjustment" as part of the Draft RHNA Methodology.

February 11, 2021

As required by law, ABAG submitted Draft RHNA Methodology to HCD for review.

April 12, 2021

HCD confirmed Draft RHNA Methodology furthers statutory objectives.

May 2021

ABAG Regional Planning Committee and Executive Board consider approval of Final RHNA Methodology and release of Draft RHNA Allocations.

Highlights from HCD's Findings

"HCD has completed its review of the methodology and finds that the draft ABAG RHNA Methodology furthers the statutory objectives."

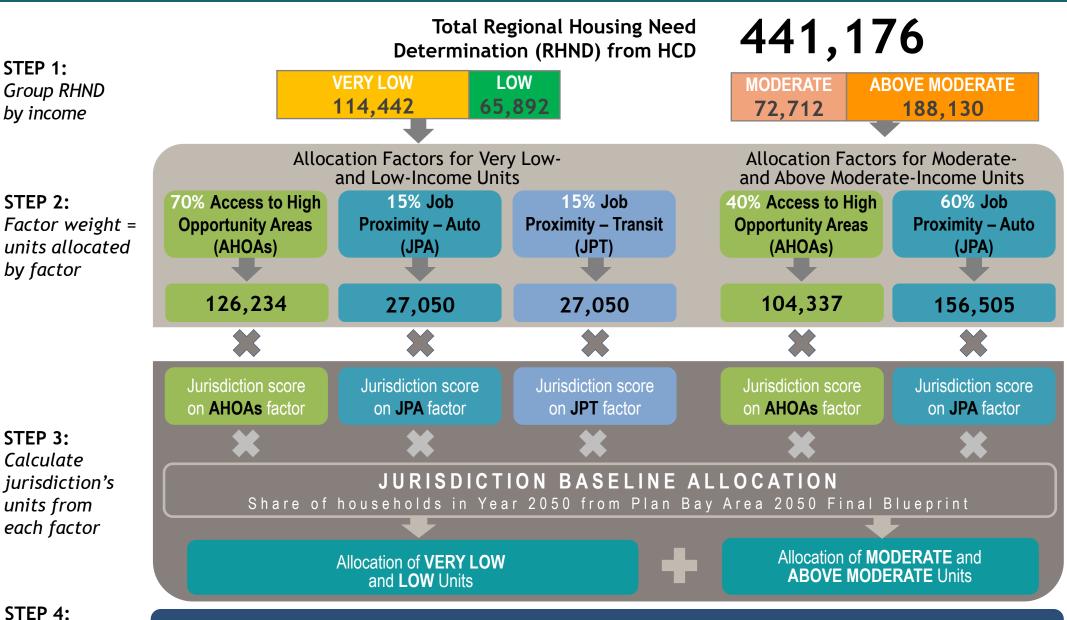
"This methodology largely distributes more RHNA near jobs, transit and resources linked to long-term improvements of life outcomes... HCD applauds the use of objective factors specifically linked to the statutory objectives."

"HCD commends ABAG for a robust methodology development process, with exceptional stakeholder engagement, through its Housing Methodology Committee."

"HCD applauds the significant weighting of Access to High Opportunity Areas as an adjustment factor and including an equity adjustment in the draft methodology."

Final 2023-2031 RHNA Methodology Overview





STEP 4: Apply equity adjustment

STEP 1:

Group RHND

by income

STEP 2:

by factor

STEP 3: Calculate

jurisdiction's

units from each factor

> Equity Adjustment redistributes lower-income units to ensure all 49 jurisdictions identified as exhibiting above average racial and economic exclusion receive an allocation of lower-income units that is at least proportional to its share of households in 2020





What are the Next Steps in the RHNA Process?

- May 2021: ABAG will consider adopting the Final RHNA Methodology and Draft RHNA Allocations.
- Summer and Fall 2021: Appeals process in which a local jurisdiction or HCD can submit an appeal to ABAG requesting a change to any Bay Area jurisdiction's allocation.
- Late 2021: ABAG Executive Board will adopt Final Allocations, taking into consideration the results of the appeals process.
- January 2023: Housing Element updates are due to HCD.



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